# Arkansas

# **Broiler Hatchery**

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### Arkansas Chick Placements Up 4 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 22.6 million during the week ending October 6, 2007. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 2006, but down 2 percent from the previous week. The placements included 2.1 million chicks shipped in from other states.

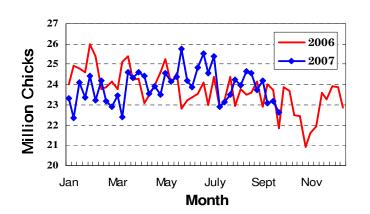
The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week were 22.2 million, up 1 percent the corresponding week a year earlier, but down 3 percent the previous week. Of the total hatch, 1.3 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 84 percent.

Arkansas hatcheries set 27.4 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending October 6, 2007, up 8 percent from the same period last year, and up 4 percent from the previous week.

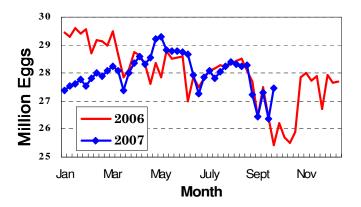
	C	hicks Placed		Ch	icks Hatche	ed	Eggs Set			
Week			% of			% of			% of	
Ending <sup>1</sup>	2006	2007	Prev. Year	2006	2007	Prev. Year	2006	2007	Prev. Year	
	Thousand			Tho	usand		Thousand			
Sep. 1	23,584	24,551	104	23,214	23,810	103	28,083	28,271	101	
Sep. 8	24,145	23,745	98	23,543	23,565	100	27,701	27,225*	98	
Sep. 15	22,924	24,169	105	23,561	23,478	100	26,430	26,429	100	
Sep. 22	24,011	23,070	96	23,309	23,636	101	27,503	27,324	99	
Sep. 29	23,718	23,197*	98	23,060	23,002*	100	26,398	26,379*	100	
Oct. 6	21,849	22,624	104	21,979	22,239	101	25,413	27,443	108	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For previous year, it is the comparable week.

#### Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2006-2007



#### Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2006-2007



<sup>\*</sup> Revised in current week

Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, September 8, 2007 - October 6, 2007

	Eggs Set Week Ending						Chicks Placed							
							Week Ending							
State	8-Sep	15-Sep	22-Sep	29-Sep	6-Oct	%1/	8-Sep	15-Sep	22-Sep	29-Sep	6-Oct	% 1/		
	Thousand							Thousand						
Alabama	30,946	31,385	31,535	30,714	31,892	107	20,757	20,991	20,892	20,015	20,489	99		
Arkansas	27,225 *	26,429	27,324	26,379 *	27,443	108	23,745	24,169	23,070	23,197 *	22,624	104		
Delaware	3,954	3,885	3,870	4,218 *	3,996	108	4,874	4,841	5,259	4,540 *	4,790	111		
Florida	1,344	1,374 *	1,344	1,344	1,344	98	1,354	1,343	1,343	1,393	1,183	92		
Georgia	34,273	34,299	35,012	33,548 *	35,453	102	29,267	29,387	28,786	28,243 *	28,416	105		
Kentucky	7,126 *	7,003 *	8,096	6,891	7,555	102	6,452	5,911	6,436	5,832 *	6,078	110		
Louisiana	4,029	3,999	3,978	3,712	4,015	109	3,979	3,905	4,225	4,057	3,552	97		
Maryland	8,500	7,950	8,512	8,732	8,495	96	6,109	5,783	5,408	6,343 *	5,429	102		
Mississippi	18,093	17,881	17,434	17,106	17,409	101	16,947	16,238	16,172	16,618	16,183	103		
N. Carolina	17,631 *	19,135 *	19,395	18,396 *	18,271	105	15,934	16,414	15,950	14,872 *	15,897	108		
Oklahoma	6,749	6,049	6,977	6,373	6,896	105	4,897	5,383	5,619	5,097	4,950	97		
Pennsylvania	4,204	4,058	4,297 *	4,316	4,289	105	3,123	3,252	3,139 *	3,155	3,022	121		
S. Carolina	5,390	5,547	5,518	5,728	5,394	98	4,382	4,512	5,087	4,663 *	4,890	111		
Texas	14,642	13,224	13,982	14,173	14,691	99	12,486	12,385	12,519	12,202	11,155	94		
Virginia	6,211	5,810	6,223	5,855	6,264	98	5,271	5,353	4,866	4,887	4,561	82		
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,833 *	18,106 *	18,831 *	19,560 *	19,604	107	17,120 *	16,823 *	17,739 *	16,881 *	15,942	105		
19 State Total	209,150 *	206,134 *	212,328 *	207,045	213,011		176,697 *	176,690 *	176,510 *	171,995 *	169,161			
Prev. Year Total	204,137	202,441	207,521	203,118	205,727		174,016	174,374	173,499	167,530	164,849			
% of Prev. Year	102	102	102	102	104		102	101	102	103	103			
Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/							27-Oct	3-Nov	10-Nov	17-Nov	24-Nov			

<sup>\*</sup> Revised in current week.

#### Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 213 million eggs in incubators during the week ending October 6, 2007. This was up 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### **Broiler Chicks Placed Up 3 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending October 6, 2007. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through October 6, 2007 were 7.06 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

<sup>1/</sup> Current w eek as percent of the same w eek last year. 2/ Industry average; seven w eeks from placement.